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SUBJECT: EC DISCUSSIONS ON CIEC

REF: A. STATE 176503; B. EC BRUSSELS 7187

1. OVER LUNCH JULY 21 DUTCH DEPUTY PERMREP MOURIK PROVIDED SOME INFORMATION ADDITIONAL TO THAT REPORTED IN REF B PARA 8 ON NEXT WEEK'S EC DISCUSSIONS ON CIEC. AT STATE-SECRETARY LEVEL MEETING NEXT TUESDAY, MOURIK BELIEVES DUTCH WILL SUGGEST THAT EC CONVEY SIGNAL TO G-19 OF WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER DEBT ISSUE SERIOUSLY IN CIEC DURING THE FALL, WITHOUT HOWEVER PREJUDICING ULTIMATE OUTCOME OF DISCUSSIONS. ASKED WHAT ASPECT OF DEBT ISSUE THIS SIGNAL WOULD REFER TO, MOURIK SAID HE THOUGHT IMMEDIATE DEBT RELIEF FOR SOME LDCS WAS ENVISAGED. THIS HOWEVER WAS PERSONAL INTERPRETATION. ASKED WHY HE THOUGHT ENVISAGED SIGNAL WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO G-19 - SINCE OUTCOME WAS SAID NOT TO BE PREJUDGED - MOURIK SAID, AGAIN PERSONALLY, THAT IDEA
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MIGHT BE CONVEYED THAT THERE WAS PROBABILITY OF ULTI-

MATELY POSITIVE DECISION. MOURIK THOUGHT EC MAJORITY
WOULD FAVOR SUCH MOVE, THOUGH FRENCH AND GERMANS WOULD
NEED TO BE BROUGHT AROUND.

2. MISSION OFFICER OBSERVED G-8 POSTURE OF UNITY HAD
SERVED US WELL IN PAST, AND WAS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT
TO PRESERVE AT PRESENT JUNCTURE. THEREFORE, HE URGED
THAT ANY SIGNALS BE PRECEDED BY FULL CONSULTATIONS.
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